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Mr. Gary Baughman Hazardous Waste Facilities Unit Leader Colorado Department of Health 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South Denver, Colorado 80222-1530

RE: Operable Unit 13 Final RFI/RI Work Plan

Dear Mr. Baughman:

EPA has reviewed the above referenced document, including the revisions that were received by this agency on March 9, July 30, and August 19, 1993. The changes that have been made to this document adequately address EPA's previous comments and concerns. The other reason that EPA was withholding approval of this work plan was in order to receive and review several Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) referenced in the work plan that were either being revised or drafted. These SOPs have been reviewed by EPA and its comments were submitted to DOE on June 7 and August 25, 1993. Therefore, EPA approves the OU 13 Final Work Plan with the understanding that further revisions to the SOPs as specified in our comments, be submitted prior to the start of fieldwork.

Since the schedule presented in this work plan is no longer accurate, DOE must now submit a new schedule for approval by the agencies, detailing its proposed remedial investigation activities for OU 13. If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact Gary Kleeman of my staff at 294-1071.

Sincerely,

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